



REPUBLIC OF ZAMBIA
MINISTRY OF GREEN ECONOMY AND ENVIRONMENT

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT)

Assignment Title: INTERNATIONAL SUSTAINABILITY AND UPSCALING STRATEGY CONSULTANT FOR THE ECOSYSTEM BASED ADAPTATION PROJECT

Project Name: ECOSYSTEM BASED ADAPTATION PROJECT

Reference: ZM-MGEE-EBA-INDV_004

1.0 PROJECT BACKGROUND

The Ministry of Green Economy and Environment (MGEE) through its Department for Green Economy and Climate is implementing the GEF funded "Building the resilience of local communities in Zambia through the introduction of Ecosystem-based Adaptation (EbA) into priority ecosystems, including wetlands and forests" Project. The overarching goal is to reduce the vulnerability of communities living around wetlands and forests in Zambia to current and predicted effects of climate change, such as drought and flooding. The objective of the project is to strengthen the capacity of government and rural communities living around wetlands and forests to adapt to climate change using EbA.

The project implementation commenced in 2021 with a grant of US\$ 6,185,000, and had the Mid Term Review (MTR) conducted in 2025. The MTR recommended for urgent review and integration of EbA approaches on planned policies and plans as well as adoption of policies, plans and Acts that were integrated with EbA approaches and validation of policy briefs developed.

2.0 OBJECTIVE OF THE CONSULTANCY

The objective of this assignment is to develop a strategy to upscale, sustain and replicate EbA interventions in wetlands and forests. The comprehensive, evidence based National Strategy for the Sustainability and Upscaling of Ecosystem-Based Adaptation (EbA) interventions in Zambia's wetland and forest ecosystems. The strategy will equip the Government of Zambia with actionable guidance to mainstream EbA across national planning and budgeting processes, advancing climate resilient development through nature-based solutions.

3.0 SPECIFIC TASKS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The Consultant will undertake the following specific tasks:

- I. The Consultant will conduct a comprehensive review of existing project documentation and national/international policies, establish the analytical framework and methodology, identify key stakeholders, and develop a detailed work plan for the entire consultancy.
- II. The Consultant To systematically identify and analyse national and international best practices for EbA upscaling, conduct a comprehensive barrier analysis specific to Zambia's context, assess strategic entry points for mainstreaming EbA into national planning mechanisms, and validate findings through targeted stakeholder consultations.
- III. The Consultant will develop a comprehensive, evidence based, and practically actionable National Strategy for EbA sustainability and upscaling that provides clear guidance on integration into national planning, financing mechanisms, institutional coordination, and capacity building for the Government of Zambia.
- IV. The Consultant will facilitate validation of the draft strategy through a high-level national workshop, secure government buy in and institutional endorsement, incorporate stakeholder feedback, and finalize a validated strategy ready for adoption and implementation.

4.0 QUALIFICATION CRITERIA

To qualify for issuance of the Request for Technical Proposal, consulting individual should have the following minimum qualifications:

- a) A minimum of a Masters' degree in Environmental Economics, Natural Resources Management, Climate Change Policy, Development Studies, or related field.
- b) Minimum 10 years international experience in strategy development and scaling up adaptation/sustainable development projects
- c) Demonstrated expertise in EbA/Nature-Based Solutions and climate finance
- d) Must show prior experience in Sub-Saharan Africa and preferably Zambia/SADC region.

The consultant will be selected in accordance with the Individual Consultant Selection Method (INDV) set out in the Public Procurement Act No.8 of 2020 and the Public Procurement Regulation of 2022

5.0 DURATION OF THE CONSULTANCY

The duration of the consultancy is 50 Days spread over a 5 (five) month period of 24 calendar months.

6.0 DEADLINE AND SUBMISSION

The Ministry of Green Economy and Environment now invites eligible individual ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should submit their application letter and detailed CV with information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services.

Further information and the detailed Terms of Reference for the assignment can be obtained at the address below during office hours 08:00 -13:00 and from 14:00 -17:00 hours local time.

Expressions of Interest (EOI) with detailed Curriculum Vitae, and Cover letter must be submitted electronically via email addresses below on or before **Friday, 14th August 2026, at 16:00 hours** to Ellison.Sakala@mgее.gov.zm and copy to Sibeso.Mataa@mgее.gov.zm

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For/Permanent Secretary

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